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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)	Examiner Clark F. Dexter
Li et al.)	Group Art Unit 3724
Serial No. 08/974,179)	Docket 97-2918/370054-00039
Confirmation No. 7920)	
Filed November 19, 1997)	
For Improved Method and Apparatus For Trimming Aluminum Sheet)	

Amendment

Scptember 29, 2004

Mail Stop - Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 19, 2004 and a brief telephone conversation with Examiner Dexter held on September 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.